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| Applicants | Michael Strobel, et al. |
| Serial No. 09/745,960 | Filing Date: December 22, 2000 |
| Title of Application: | A Screw For Medical Purposes And A Driving Tool |
| Confirmation No. 8504 | Art Unit: 3743 |
| Examiner | Kathryn Odland |

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*Response Transmittal and
Petition For Time Extension (37 CFR 1.136(A))*

Dear Sir:

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Letter mailed on December 17, 2003.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17). \$110.00 Extension Fee is due with this request.
4. Fee Payment. Attached is a check in the sum of \$110.00. This is also a petition and a request to charge to Account No. 19-4516 for any additional extension and/or fee as may be required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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O P E R A T I O N S

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FEET TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT**

(\$ 880.00)

Complete if Known

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Art Unit 3743

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)
 Check Credit Card Money Other None
 Deposit Account: order

Deposit Account Number

19-4516

Deposit Account Name

St.Onge Steward Johnston & Reens LLC

The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

 Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments
 Charge any additional fees(s) during the pendency of this application
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 FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | | |
| 1101 | 770 | 2001 | 385 | Utility filing fee | \$770.00 |
| 1002 | 340 | 2202 | 170 | Design filing fee | |
| 1003 | 530 | 2003 | 265 | Plant filing fee | |
| 1004 | 770 | 2004 | 385 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 1005 | 160 | 2005 | 80 | Provisional filing fee | |
| | | SUBTOTAL (1) | | (\$) | 770.00 |

2. EXTRA CLAIMS FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| Total Claims | 12 | -20** | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|----|-------|--------------|----------------|----------|
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| Independent Claims | 2 | -3**= | X | | |
| Multiple Dependent | | | X | | |

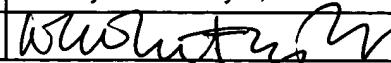
| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description |
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| 1201 | 18 | 2202 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 | 86 | 2201 | 43 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 | 290 | 2203 | 145 | Multiple dependent claims, if not paid |
| 1204 | 86 | 2204 | 43 | **Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 | 18 | 2205 | 9 | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 over original patent |
| | | SUBTOTAL (2) | | (\$) |

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee Description | | Fee Paid |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | |
| 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing for or oath |
| 1052 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing or cover sheet |
| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month |
| 1252 | 40 | 2252 | 210 | Extension for reply within second month |
| 1253 | 950 | 2253 | 475 | Extension for reply within third month |
| 1254 | 1,450 | 2254 | 725 | Extension for reply within fourth month |
| 1255 | 1,970 | 2255 | 985 | Extension for reply within fifth month |
| 1401 | 330 | 2401 | 165 | Notice of Appeal |
| 1402 | 330 | 2402 | 165 | Filing brief in support of an appeal |
| 1403 | 290 | 2403 | 145 | Request for oral hearing |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable |
| 1453 | 1,330 | 2453 | 665 | Petition to revive - unintentional |
| 1501 | 1,330 | 2501 | 665 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) |
| 1502 | 480 | 2502 | 240 | Design issue fee |
| 1503 | 640 | 2503 | 320 | Plant issue fee |
| 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per inventor (times number of inventors) |
| 1809 | 770 | 2809 | 385 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) |
| 1810 | 770 | 2810 | 385 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) |
| 1801 | 770 | 2801 | 385 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) |
| 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application |
| Other fee (specify) | | | | |
| *Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid | | | | |
| | | SUBTOTAL (3) | | (\$) |
| | | 110.00 | | |

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